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1. MEDIA COVERAGE OF QUEEN'S VISIT TO UNITED STATES WAS BROADER THAN YESTERDAY AND ALMOST EXULTANT OVER QUEEN'S IMPACT ON HER HOSTS. EXTENSIVE TREATMENT WAS GIVEN TO QUEEN'S VISIT TO CAPITAL EMPHASIZING WARMTH OF THE RECEPTION SHE RECEIVED FROM "DANISH-SPEAKING" HOUSE SPEAKER CARL ALBERT AND FROM SENATOR HUMPHREY. HER RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS RECEIVED FROM THE PRESS AT THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB WAS PRESENCE IN DETAIL BY BERLINGSKE TIDENDE AND OTHER PAPERS AND GAVE IMPRESSION OF QUEEN'S SYMPATHETIC, QUICK-WITTED RESPONSE TO THE BARRAGE OF QUERIES. A COUPLE OF ARTICLES MADE INVIDIOUS COMPARISONS WITH RESPECT TO QUEEN'S OVERWHELMING SUCCESS IN THE US AS OPPOSED TO IMPRESSION LEFT BY SWEDISH KING. THESE ARTICLES FORESAW A MAJOR EXPORT AND TOURIST IMPACT TO THE BENEFIT OF DENMARK RESULTING FROM THE QUEEN'S SUCCESS.

2. LARGE PHOTOGRAPHS APPEARED IN MANY PAPERS SHOWING QUEEN WITH HOUSE SPEAKER ALBERT AND SENATOR HUMPHREY, OF QUEEN AT THE BALLET WITH MRS. FORD AND SECRETARY AND MRS. KISSINGER, AT THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB, AT THE RECEPTION ON THE SHIP "DANNEBROG", ON THE CAPITOL STEPS

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AND WITH PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD.

3. FIRST MAGAZINE TO APPEAR WITH STORY ON QUEEN'S VISIT WAS DANISH TELEVISION GUIDE "SEE AND HEAR" WHICH HEADED FULL PAGE OF PICTURES AND TEXT WITH: "MARGRETHE IMPRESSED FORD: THE DANISH QUEEN WRITES HISTORY IN THE US".

4. IN SEPARATE REPORT ON THE ROYAL DANISH BALLET COMPANY'S PRESENTATION IN KENNEDY CENTER, JOURNALIST SVEND KRAGH-JACOBSEN WROTE HIGHLY LAUDATORY STORY EMPHASIZING QUALITY OF PRESENTATIONS AND ELEGANT BUT CONVIVIAL ATMOSPHERE WHICH REIGNED WITH QUEEN IN KENNEDY CENTER.

5. OF SUBSTANTIVE INTEREST WERE REPORTS OF FOREIGN MINISTER K.B. ANDERSEN'S RESPONSE TO PRESS QUESTIONS ON INCREASING WARSAW PACT MILITARY ACTIVITY IN DANISH WATERS. ANDERSEN TOLD PRESS, ACCORDING TO THESE REPORTS, THAT NATIONS CONDUCTING THIS ACTIVITY WERE ALSO DENMARK'S NEIGHBORS WITH WHOM DENMARK WISHED TO BUILD BRIDGES THROUGH CONTINUING DIALOGUE. FURTHER, HE SAID, BRINGING MATTERS SUCH AS THIS INTO OPEN DISCUSSION MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO EXPLOIT THEM FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. ANDERSEN SAID HE WAS CONVINCED THE EAST HAD NO DESIRE TO RENEW COLD WAR OR CONFRONTATION POLICIES.

6. ON DANISH POLICY WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE COMMUNIST PARTICIPATION IN ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, ANDERSEN REPORTEDLY SAID PCI IS NOT TRADITIONAL COMMUNIST PARTY. HE CONSIDERED IT UNLIKELY THAT PCI WOULD BE IN NEW GOVERNMENT, BUT INSISTED THAT EVEN SHOULD THAT HAPPEN, ITALY MUST REMAIN IN ALLIANCE.
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